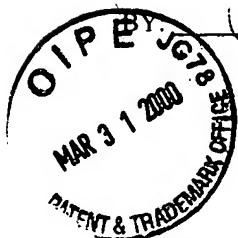


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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AND PROVISIONAL RESTRICTION/ELECTION**

The following request for reconsideration and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed February 28, 2000 (Paper No. 6). Claims 1-8 are pending in the application.

**35 U.S.C. § 121**

**(Restriction Requirement)**

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 1-3 and 7, drawn to a trimming device with a specific feed roller configuration;